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FROM: COMFEAF TOKYO JAPAN

TO : HQ USAF WASH DC ATTN: DIR OF OPR

NR : A 1644F D/O-COD 21 Nov 53 (DTG 210325Z)

Urmsg AFOOP-FO 51535 dtd 31 Jan 52. RADACSSIOP photo indicates that RB-45 inadvertently overflew Manchuria fr 3952N/12407E to 3950N/12357E at 30,000 feet 0410/Z 20 Nov 53 while on legitimate recon msg. Crews had been thoroughly briefed to ovserve traditional 3-mile limit. Extremely strong cross wind contributed to inadvertent overflt. Undercast in area that also contributed would have prevented vertical visual observation fr grd. Probability that eny radar did not accurately fix acft psn. No eny reaction to indicate awareness of overflt. Unless add pertinene info necessitates, this Hq consideres the incident closed.

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NOTE : Advance copy delivered to Command Post.

ACTION: OOP

INFO : ODC, OPD, OIN, CIS, CIG, OSAF

CAF IN: 85000 (21 Nov 53) CCC/klr

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